

Minuteman Household Hazardous Products Regional Facility

Arlington residents help protect the environment by taking common household hazardous products to the Minuteman Facility on Hartwell Avenue in Lexington. The regional site is a cooperative effort to make disposal of unneeded household hazardous products as convenient for residents and as economical for communities as possible.

Hazardous household products cause environmental and health problems. Disposal of hazardous products in our regular trash is a serious problem. It would be best to avoid such products. There are good, safe substitutes for almost all of them. Proper disposal of toxic material reduces the danger to our environment.

We have made great progress in removing toxic materials from the waste stream. But we still have a long way to go.

PLEASE consider carpooling to reduce traffic congestion and costs.

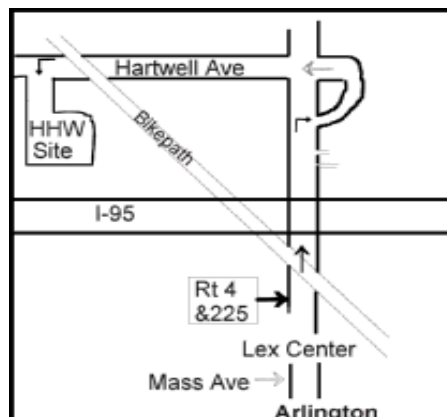
Coordinating with your neighbors helps reduce the number of car trips to this facility. The town is billed on a per-car basis.

Transportation Tips

- Drive directly to the Center
- Leave materials in original containers
- **Never mix chemicals**
- Tighten caps and lids
- Pad boxes with newspaper to minimize spills
- No bicycles or pedestrians allowed at the site
- **Do not smoke**

Directions

Proceed west on Massachusetts Avenue through Lexington Center. Pass the Minuteman statue on your left and keep going straight about 2 miles. Move to the right lane shortly after crossing I-95 and turn right to get to Hartwell Avenue. Shortly after passing the light at the bike path, turn left at the sign for the Minuteman Hazardous Waste and Composting Facility and follow the signs and directions of the volunteer traffic coordinators.



Procedure at the site

1. The process may be slow. Allow sufficient time when you visit.
2. Show your identification as an Arlington resident to the volunteer who will complete a registration form.
3. At the next station the contractor will take the form, inspect what you are bringing, and mark the form. The form is used to allocate costs to the participating communities.
4. You will be directed to the unloading station as space becomes available. The contractor will take the hazardous materials from your car. **PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE AT ALL TIMES. NO BICYCLES ALLOWED.**
5. Please exit slowly, knowing you have done the right thing with your hazardous material.
6. **Do not make multiple trips per event.** This slows down the event and it increases the cost to your town, as each town is assessed a fee based on the quantity of material per car brought to the site.
7. The Minuteman Hazardous Products Facility reserves the right to refuse unidentified materials or unacceptable amounts of hazardous waste.

What to bring to the collection site

Fertilizers, Pesticides and Herbicides:

Insecticides, rat poisons, slug bait, mothballs/crystals, weed killers, flea and roach powders, insect repellent, fertilizer.

Paints, Solvents and sealers:

Oil-based paints and stains, paint thinners and strippers, varnishes, shellacs and lacquers, metal polishes, aerosols.

Automotive Products:

Antifreeze, automotive batteries, brake fluid, degreasers, oil and fuel containers, engine cleaners, gas and gas mixtures, tar remover, tire cleaners, used oil, waxes and polishes, waste oil.

Cleaners:

Bleach, spot removers, oven cleaners, furniture polishes, disinfectants, rug and toilet cleaners, nail polish remover, drain cleaners,

Miscellaneous:

Pool chemicals, poisons, old chemistry sets, kerosene, dyes, lighter fluids.

Businesses and Residents of other towns

The Minuteman Facility will accept toxic waste from Very Small Quantity Generators (VSQG) for a fee. Call Krista Gloden at Clean Harbors at **860-883-3996** for pricing information and schedules. Residents outside of the regional organization may also pay to use the facility.

Please do not bring

- Water-based paints and stains - dry out and put in the trash (kitty litter or paint-hardener can help)
- Fluorescent bulbs – bring to Wanamaker True Value Hardware or R.W. Shattuck ACE Hardware
- Thermostats and thermometers- bring to Arlington DPW
- Prescription or narcotic drugs - take to the Police Department 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- Electronics with screens- bring the following to Arlington DPW for a fee: televisions and computer monitors (\$10), laptops (\$5)
- Smoke detectors – send back to manufacturer or put into the regular trash
- Propane tanks- drop off at Arlington DPW, no fee up to 20 lbs.
- Waste oil can also be returned to the place of purchase
- Medical waste or syringes-check with your medical practitioner
- Explosives and ammunition
- Asbestos or demolition debris
- Radioactive materials

**Town of Arlington
Public Works Department
51 Grove Street
Arlington, MA 02476**

www.arlingtonma.gov/recycle

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Thursday evening until 7:00 PM

(781) 316-3108

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2017 Schedule

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**April 15th * August 12th
May 13th * September 17th **
June 17th * October 14th
July 15th November 4th**

* April- June events to be held instead at 201 Bedford Street, the Lexington DPW
** September collection is a Sunday.



**60 Hartwell Avenue
Lexington, MA**